

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 147A.4 and 147A.27, the Department of Public Health hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 134, “Trauma Care Facility Categorization and Verification,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The rules in Chapter 134 describe the standards for the verification of trauma care facilities. This proposed amendment updates the categorization criteria.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendment on or before February 15, 2011. Such written comments should be directed to Kirk Schmitt, Bureau of EMS, Department of Public Health, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. E-mail may be sent to kschmitt@idph.state.ia.us.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 134.2(3) as follows:

134.2(3) Adoption by reference.

a. ~~“Iowa Trauma System Resource (Level I) & Regional (Level II) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004) “Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient” (2006) published by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma is incorporated and adopted by reference for Resource (Level I) and Regional (Level II) hospital and emergency care facility categorization criteria, and the “Iowa Trauma System Regional (Level II) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (2006) is incorporated and adopted by reference for Regional (Level II) hospital and emergency care facility categorization criteria. “Iowa Trauma System Area (Level III) & Community (Level IV) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004 2006) is incorporated and adopted by reference and adopted for Area (Level III) and Community (Level IV) hospital and emergency care facility categorization criteria. “Iowa Trauma System Community Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (2010) is incorporated and adopted by reference for Community (Level IV) hospital and emergency care categorization criteria.~~ For any differences which may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.

b. ~~“Iowa Trauma System Resource & Regional (Level II) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004 2006), “Iowa Trauma System Area (Level III) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (2006) and the “Iowa Trauma System Area & Community (Level IV) Hospital and Emergency Care Facility Categorization Criteria” (November 2004 2010) are available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site (www.idph.state.ia.us/ems).~~